

**REGULAR COUNCIL  
MEETING FEBRUARY 9 2021**

**PRESIDING:** Mayor Peter Wilson

**PRESENT:** Temple, Cox, Darcy Berg, Donnalley and Thomas

**ABSENT:**

The regular meeting on February 9, 2021 was called to order at 6:30 with Mayor Peter Wilson presiding, the meeting was held on zoom.

Mayor Wilson opened the meeting with prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**MINUTES REGULAR MEETING JANUARY 26,2021.**

Berg made the motion to approve the minutes from the 1/26/2021meeting.

Donnalley2<sup>nd</sup>

All Ayes  
Motion Passed

**APPROVAL OF BILLS**

Darcy made the motion to approve the payment of the bills in the amount \$8,43.27 and payroll for PPE 1/23/21 \$50,502.03.

Berg 2<sup>nd</sup>

All Ayes  
Motion Passed

Darcy made the motion to also pass the payroll for 2/05/2021 \$50,127.06.

Donnalley 2<sup>nd</sup>

All ayes  
Motion Passed

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**RE: Grant St. Bridge Grant Update:** The OPWC loan will have to be applied for at a later date since we are not ready to start the project until 2022. The Mayor stated the project can't get started in 2021, so the application will take place in 2022. In the meantime that will allow us time to find other sources of funding.

**RE: Vacant Building Ordinance Update:** Mr. Barkley stated the 45 days to comply with the violations is up and the citations for 6 business owners who hadn't complied will be issued citations. Mr. Beech will be helping with the citations. During the discussion the Mayor told council at least 5 buildings were under contract for being sold in the downtown area. Mr. Cox asked the Mayor if he could share the buildings that were in question of being sold. The Mayor said Carol's Kitchen, Pilmer Auto, and the 3 buildings in front of the courthouse. Everyone on council agreed that this will be a great addition to the downtown businesses.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**RE: Resignation of a FT Dispatcher and PT Officer** Mr. Cox made the motion to accept their resignations, Donnally 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All ayes, the motion passed.

Mr. Cox made the motion to hire Cara Peterson as a PT dispatcher at this time, Donnalley 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, All ayes, motion passed to hire Cara Peterson.

Mr. Cox ask the Chief if the department will still be looking for additional PT Officers and FT & PT dispatchers, and the Chief replied that would be the case. The Chief also mentioned the other PT dispatcher on the agenda had changed her mind about the position.

Additional discussion was brought up to the Chief Abraham on the length of time to train a dispatcher. The Chief answered the Mayor's question by stating how long they might take to catch on even if at all even after weeks or months of training.

The Mayor had heard that the Governor would be budgeting for the cameras for the Police Departments in Ohio. Mr Cox stated to keep in mind that is just the money for the cameras, but to think about the monies it will take to keep them operational. They would need updates, training, and off site facilities to hold all the the information collected. It would be costly to maintain, and something to remember as we move forward.

**RE: \$30,000.00 FROM GENERAL FUND TO THE STREET DEPT.** Mr. Cox made the motion to transfer the funds. Mr. Berg 2nd the motion. All ayes, the motion passed to transfer the funds.

**RE: Repair of the 1 ton Truck.** The repair of the 1 ton truck for the Street Dept. would be \$2,300.00 to repair the small engine. Mr Cox made the motion to accept the quote. Mr. Berg 2nd the motion. All ayes motion passed to fix the truck.

**RE: WILLOW GROVE PARK STUDY .** Jim Watt the Biology , STEM teacher was asking council if the students could conduct field research on the banks of the Sandy Beaver Canal. The project will be collecting soil samples for their class and the state. Mr. Berg made the motion to allow this activity to take place in our Park. Mr Cox 2nd the motion. All ayes, motion passed. The class will also be presenting their finished project to council.

**RE: VILLAGE BROCHURES** Ms. Donnalley brought to council the need to update and downsize the Lisbon Brochures. The date the brochures were last published was three years ago, a lot of things have changed in the Village. The brochures are too large with lots of repetition. Our cost of the new project is 250.00. The Parks district and the Chamber costs are the same. Mr. Cox wanted further discussion on this matter regarding Center Twp. Ms Temple made the motion to donated the 250.00 for the new brochures. Mr. Berg 2nd the motion, all ayes, motion passed.

**RE: ST. RT. 154** Ms. Thomas has spoken with the Cusick family regarding snow removal down their lane. Elkrun Township use to maintain the snow removal, and our street dept. only salts the end of their drive. After discussion with Mr. Wonner, the Police Chief and the Street dept. it was concluded that according to the maps , it is the responsibility of the home owner to maintain that lane. It is a private drive. Per Ms. Thomas nothing is going to change the way we conduct our snow removal. All of council was in agreement, with taking no action. The family was attending to a recent death and will be invited to the next council meeting on February 23rd.

**RE: RESIDENTIAL SURVEY** The thoughts for a survey were brought up in a Parks Committee meeting on how the residents felt regarding the money to save or dismantle the Community Pool. A small survey would be placed in the water bills to gather this information. Additional questions then rose from this discussion, then what do they want to be done with the money, where to spend, how much to save. The Mayor would like the input of council to come up with the questions at the next meeting on the 23 of February , so discussion can take place.

#### **FISCAL OFFICER'S REPORT**

A fund summary and payment listing were submitted to Council in their packets.

#### **STREET DEPARTMENT REPORT**

The report was submitted to Council in their packets.

Also, The Mayor and Council would like to thank the Department on how well they kept the streets clear during the last snow storm.

#### **FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT**

Mr. Cox gave an update on the new truck. The truck is complete at a better price than originally quoted, that priced will be forwarded to Ms.Wonner. Outback is the freight company being used and it will take 1 to 2 weeks to be delivered. The cost of the freight was included in the price of the truck. It should arrive the first half of March.

#### **PARKS DEPARTMENT REPORT**

The goose duty will begin in 2 weeks. The equipment has been purchased to scare of the geese from nesting in Willow Grove Park.

#### **MAYOR'S FINANCIAL REPORT**

The report was submitted to Council in their packets.

#### **APPROVED ZONING APPLICATIONS**

The reports were submitted to Council in their packets.

**MISCELLANEOUS:** Ms. Thomas was working on the employee handbook and would like input from department heads in this process. The books will be handed out the beginning of April and during that time it would be a good idea to have a department head meeting. Mr. Cox said it would be a good idea especially if they feel something should be added.

With nothing further to come before Council the meeting on February 9, 2021 adjourned at 7:30 pm.

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Mayor Peter Wilson

**ATTEST:**

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Barbara Crane Mayor's Secretary, Zoning Clerk & Tax Admin.